

## Message Text

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ACTION MC-02

INFO OCT-01 NEA-10 ISO-00 PM-04 CIAE-00 INR-07 NSAE-00

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FM AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4536

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C O N F I D E N T I A L DAMASCUS 3533

STATE FOR NEA/ARN, NEA/RA AND PM/MC

EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: MMOL, SY

SUBJECT: SYRIAN INTEREST IN PURCHASE OF RCA RADIOS FOR MILITARY  
USE (C)

1. SYRIAN COMMERCIAL AGENT JOSEPH W. MAHER HAS APPROACHED  
EMBASSY WITH REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE RE THE PURCHASE OF 900  
MULTIPLE FREQUENCY HF-SSB RECEIVERS FOR THE SYRIAN MINISTRY  
OF DEFENSE WITH ULTIMATE USER SIGNAL CORPS. MAHER CLAIMS  
SYRIAN WANT ONLY US EQUIPMENT AND PREFER RCA. ALL RADIOS  
DESIRED ARE APPARENTLY RECEIVERS ONLY AND 700  
MUST HAVE AM, USB, LSB AND CW CAPABILITY WITH 200 MORE  
SOPHISTICATED SETS FOR RECEPTION OF FSK AND ISB  
SIGNALS. SPECS INDICATE THAT RECEIVERS WOULD BE INSTALLED  
IN FIXED STATIONS OR LIGHT ARMORED VEHICLES. FREQUENCY  
RANGE OF SETS IS TO BE 1.5 - 30 MHZ.

2. MAHER CLAIMS SYRIANS DO NOT WANT TO SOLICIT PUBLIC  
BIDS BECAUSE OF THEIR INTEREST IN U.S. PARTICULARLY RCA  
EQUIPMENT.

3. EMBASSY OFFERED NO ENCOURAGEMENT TO MAHER. HE WAS  
INFORMED OF REQUIREMENT FOR MUNITIONS LICENSE. MAHER  
SAID HE WOULD WRITE RCA DIRECT.

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